

GRANT'S REIGN OF TERROR

**"Arouse Ye then, My Merry, Merrimon,
It is Our Opening Day!"**

Of the recent political conflicts in North Carolina, the most significant and the most appropriate for present purposes of comparison is that of 1870, in which, out of a total vote of 175,000, the Democrats obtained a majority of between four and five thousand. In 1868, while the State was in the throes of reconstruction and its citizens laboring under political disabilities, Grant had a majority of 12,000 out of a vote of 180,000, and in 1871 the proposal of a State convention, which emanated from the Democratic leaders, but was unpopular with the rank and file, was defeated by about 9000. The total voting population of the State, according to the census of 1870, is 214,000; which is 52,000 more votes than have ever been polled at any election since the war. In each of the three contests above mentioned, there have been from thirty thousand to forty thousand silent voters, and two-thirds of them may safely be assumed to be Conservatives. The Radicals, making politics a trade, have in each campaign exhausted every effort to bring out their full vote, and the freedmen who compose that party have been eager on every occasion to exercise their newly-acquired right of suffrage. The Democrats, on the contrary, have been more busily engaged with their ordinary avocations, and have been gloomily apathetic in many of the previous contests, but the dispatches of yesterday show that they have been to a larger extent than ever before aroused to the importance of the situation, and have rallied in force to the polls.

—An enterprising Parisian is reaping gold gains from a mummy manufactory. He not only supplies provincial museums with "Cheops" or "Pharaohs" to order, but does large exporting trade, sending his peculiar wares even to Egypt. It is darkly whispered that more than one credulous traveller has been permitted to see an old tomb exhumed in the very shadow of the Pyramids, and has joyfully purchased the bran new Parisian-mummy inserted therein the night before.

he began by seizing the war powers of the government, in flagrant violation of the constitution, and then, at a great expenditure of money, sent several armed ships of the navy, including monitors, to maintain the usurper Baez in power, that through him he might obtain the coveted prize. Not content with this audacious dictatorship, he proceeded to strike at the independence of the Black Republic by open menace of war, and all without the sanction of Congress, to which is committed the war-making power. Sailing into

aged when he joined the Republicans, expected that he was rewarded at once with high office. The change is open. Adopting the Republican platform which places the equal rights of all under the safeguard of irrevocable guarantees, and at the same time accepting the nomination of a life-time abolitionist, who represents pre-eminently the sentiment of duty to the colored race, they have set their corporate seal to the sacred covenant. They may

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In the old clothes thus collected enough material was found concealed to build a beautiful bridge over the Arno, still called the Beggar's Bridge!

There was great activity at the New York combouse yesterday in consequence of the tariff, and thousands of cases of goods were drawn.

The Contra, Erie and Pennsylvania Railroads have reduced their western freight rates forty-five and thirty-eight per cent. It is reported that the change is only for one year, and it is made to break down old inauspicious contracts.

en the Cortes reassembles in September, the government will submit a project for the issue of \$50,000,000, to be devoted to the redemption of the finances of Cuba. The bonds offered under this project will carry interest of 5 per cent, and will be redeemed, also representing a sinking fund (for the cancellation of the bonds, at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum. This interest and sinking fund it proposes to draw from the war subsidy and from the surplus Cultures.